

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A dial, comprising:  
  
a substrate plate;  
  
a semi-transparent layer covering at least part of said substrate plate of a material allowing light to pass;  
  
phosphorescent, fluorescent or luminescent luminous elements lodged between said substrate plate and said semi-transparent layer; ~~wherein said luminous elements~~ to form an image, and the image that is visible in darkness;  
  
wherein no image is visible but essentially invisible under normal lighting conditions, and wherein said luminous elements are lodged in blind hollows made in said semi-transparent layer and open towards said substrate plate.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Original) The dial of claim 1 wherein said luminous elements are applied by serigraphy, tampography or manually onto said substrate plate and/or onto said semi-transparent layer.

5. (Original) The dial of claim 1 wherein said semi-transparent layer is made of one of the following materials: mother-of-pearl; varnish; lacquer; glass; plastic.
6. (Original) The dial of claim 1 comprising a colored layer interposed between said substrate plate and said semi-transparent layer.
7. (Original) The dial of claim 6 wherein said colored layer is a coat of varnish.
8. (Previously presented) The dial of claim 1 wherein said blind hollows are made by machining or by selective chemical attack.
9. (Currently amended) The dial of ~~claim 1~~ claim 10 wherein said blind hollows are made by machining or by selective chemical attack.
10. (Currently amended) A watch piece, comprising a dial, said dial comprising:
  - a substrate plate;
  - a semi-transparent layer covering at least part of said substrate plate of a material allowing light to pass;
  - phosphorescent, fluorescent or luminescent luminous elements lodged between said substrate plate and said semi-transparent layer; ~~wherein said luminous elements to~~ form an image, ~~and the image that~~ that is visible in darkness;

wherein no image is visible ~~but essentially invisible~~ under normal lighting conditions;  
and wherein said luminous elements are lodged in blind hollows made in said semi-transparent layer and open towards said substrate plate.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (New) The dial of claim 1, wherein said semi-transparent layer and said luminous elements do not form any image that is visible under normal lighting.

14. (New) The dial of claim 10, wherein said semi-transparent layer and said luminous elements do not form any image that is visible under normal lighting.

15. (New) A dial consisting of:

a substrate plate;

a semi-transparent layer covering at least part of said substrate plate of a material allowing light to pass;

phosphorescent, fluorescent or luminescent luminous elements lodged between said substrate plate and said semi-transparent layer;

wherein said luminous elements form an image, and the image that is visible in darkness but essentially invisible under normal lighting conditions, and wherein said luminous elements